

Melissa Coulson Buys Lawrence and Associates

New face at old business

By DONNA DANIELLI

It was the reputation for fair accounting principles with small town customer service that first drew Melissa Coulson's attention to Lawrence and Associates. "I like working with people who appreciate what their clients have to say," explains the new owner of Lawrence and Associates, which will now be known as Melissa L. Coulson, Chartered Accountant. "I was looking for an opportunity to service companies that care about more than just audits, that appreciate information from their accountants."

The long time resident of Milton was employed by Ernst And Young L.O.P. for six years before she started casting an eye to a business move that would see her work closer to home and hearth. "I love this town," she says. "It's a great place for my husband, son and I to live."

Melissa is quick to assure clients that it will be business as usual at the account-

ing firm, with few changes planned for the future. She is conscious of the firm's history of over thirty years of quality accounting and is confident that reputation will continue. "We're staying in the same location, with the same staff. I'll be around, that's the only change," Melissa points out, adding that former owner Bob Lawrence will still be on hand with the firm for the next two to five years.

"It was incredible timing," says a delighted Melissa, who discovered that she and Bob are actually distant cousins. "Bob was looking to partially retire and I was looking for a local business to buy. It was a good fit right from the beginning."




Melissa Coulson with former owner Bob Lawrence.

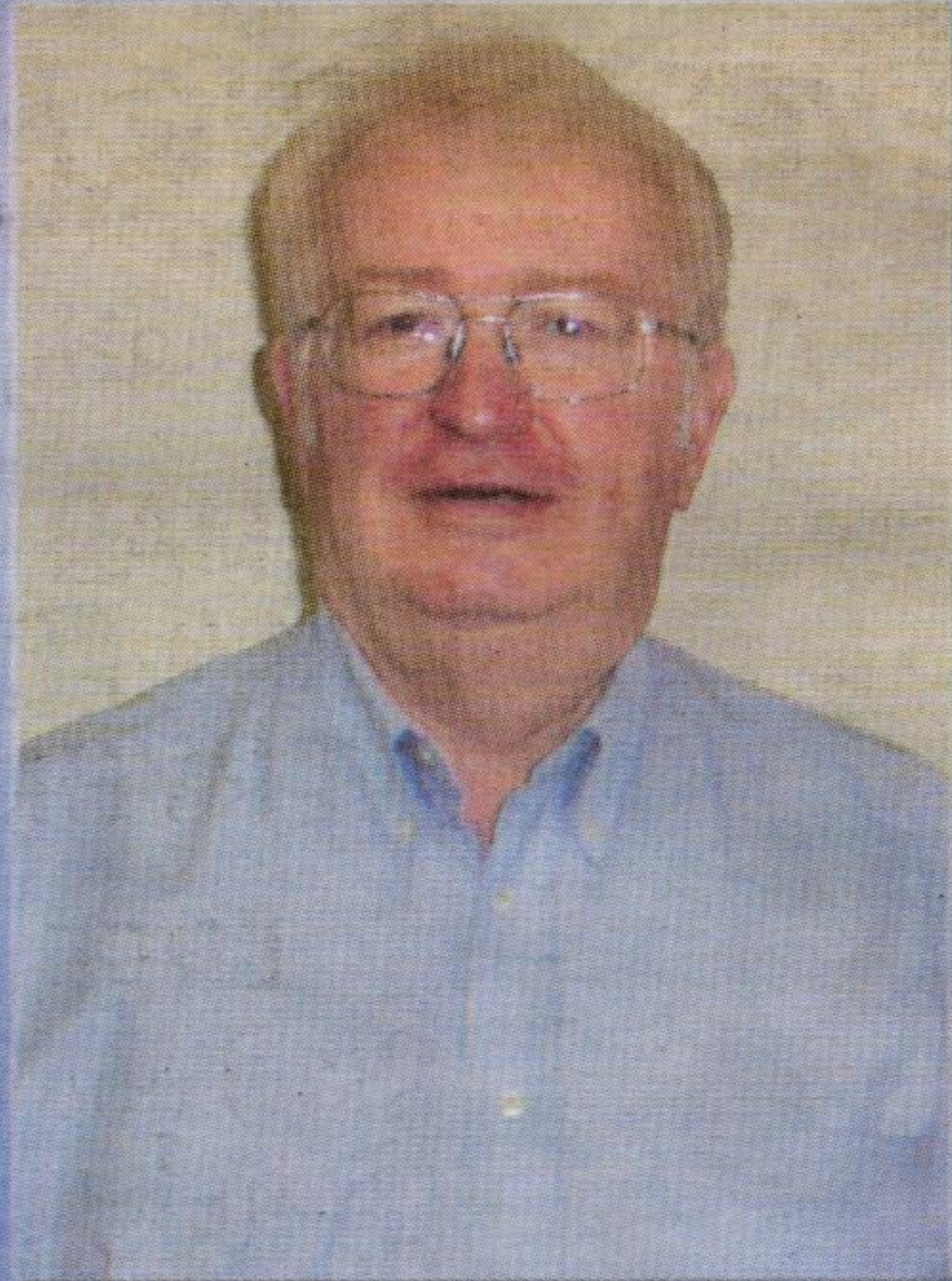
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Announcement!
 As of January 4, 2005, Lawrence & Associates will become
Melissa L. Coulson Chartered Accountant.
Same Faces, Same Service, New Name!



"I am a long time resident of Milton with many years of experience. I provide accounting, auditing & taxation."



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